Our Feathered Friends.

To the Editor of the Citizen:

The great variety and large number of birds that have made their appearance this year has attracted universal attention and comment, both in and out of our cities. Bloomfield seems to have been particularly favored by them, and their bright plumage and beautiful songs have been charming features among the many attractions of our suburban town. From present appearances the indications are that they have arrested the ravages of the elm beetle. It is perhaps too early to say that the destructive plague has met its fate, but it is certain that protection for and encouragement of the birds is the true remedy for this and

similar evils, For many years wrens have made their homes in a box near the house of the writer, and their marvelous ac tivity and industry in seeking out and destroying insects has been a source of great interest and amusement. The value of a single pair of these diminutive songsters is incalculable in limiting the insectivorous pests that more than anything else mar the pleasures of country life. The savage pertinacity of the English sparrow finally drove them away, and we have missed them for three or four years, but thanks to the historical blizzard of last Spring the sparrows have been very nearly annihilated, and the wrens with the other birds, have returned, and are as busy as of yore.

Now if another blizzard or providential interposition could make way with the small boy who delights in robbing birds' nests of their eggs in order to secure a collection, (sometimes, we regret to say, with the encouragement of his school teacher, or destroys both birds and eggs in pure wantonness, we might hope for a still further increase of our welcome

There are other enemies of the feathered songsters that should be punished, not by Providence, but by the stern hands of the law. Some of these are even more beautiful and attractive than the birds, whose skins and wings they thoughtlessly wear as ornaments to increase these attractions, and thereby render themselves repulsive to people of good taste and kind hearts. Worse still are the young men who prowl around with a gun and indulge their cowardly taste for slaughter in destroying robins and other tame birds. Some of these are well-known, and will yet, it is are accustomed to look for the proper hoped, put into the hands of the lovers of birds such evidence as will be sufficient to convict them and secure their punishment.

To those who rise early there is nothing more cheerful than the varied music of the North American mocking bird, or cat-bird, the bold whistle of the oriole, the vivacious song of the wren, mingled with the less frequent notes of those other birds whose melody is poured out without stint in the early morning hours, and in the evening the mournful notes of some of the warblers, particularly as one rambles among the trees just away from human habitations is in keeping with the witching twilight hours.

It is hoped, dear CITIZEN, that you will use your powerful influence in moulding public sentiment so that those who are older may exercise a restraining power when those thoughtless ones who through recklessness or vanity do so much to interfere not only with the enjoyment but the physical comfort of the community. Birds are the natural friends of man and enemies of insects. To see a woodpecker with its diversified plumage drumming upon the trunk of a tree to discover the borer which is surely and insiduously destroying it, being the case, we are compelled to look makes the heart of a true lover of often and long into those dreaded retrees warm with affection; and to see him made a target for stones, slugs or guns makes one long for a revival of the whipping-post.

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WILD HORSES OUT WEST.

Description of a Terrible Contest Between a Jack and Two Enraged Stallions. Some horses, of course, are almost incurably vicious, and must be conquered by main force. One pleasing brute on my ranch will at times rush at a man open mouthed like a wolf, and it is a regular trick of the range stallions. In a great many-indeed, in most-localities, there are wild horses to be found, which, although invariably of domestic descent, being either themselves runaways from some ranch or Indian outfit, or else claiming such for their sires and dams, yet are quite as wild as the antelope on whose domain they have in-

Ranchmen run in these wild horses whenever possible, and they are but little more difficut to break than the so called 'tame' animals. But the wild stallions are, whenever possible, shot; both because of their propensity for driving off the ranch mares, and because their incurable viciousness makes them always unsafe companions for other horses still more than for men. A wild stallion fears no beast except the grizzly, and will not always flinch from an encounter with it; yet it is a curious fact that a jack will almost always kill one in a fair fight. The particulars of a fight of this ort were related to me by a cattle man who was engaged in bringing out blooded stock from the east. Among the animals under his charge were two great stallions, one gray and one black, and a fine jackass, not much over half the size of either of the former. The animals were kept in separate pens, but one day both horses got into the same inclosure, next to the jack pen, and began to fight as only enraged stallions can, striking like boxers with their fore feet and biting with their

The gray was getting the best of it; but while clinched with his antagonist in one tussle they rolled against the jack pen, breaking it in. No sooner was the jack at liberty than, with ears laid back and mouth wide open, he made straight for the two horses, who had for the moment separated. The gray turned to meet him, rearing on his hind legs and striking at him with his fore feet; but the jack slipped in, and in a minute grasped his antagonist by the throat with his wide open jaws, and then held on like a bull dog, all four feet planted stiffly in the soil. The stallion made tremendous efforts to shake him off; he would try to whirl round and kick him, but for that the jack was too short; then he would rise up, lifting the jack off the ground, and strike at him with his fore feet; but all that he gained by this was to skin his foe's front legs without making him loose his hold. Twice they fell, and twice the stallion rose, by main strength dragging the jack with him; but all in vain. Meanwhile the black horse attacked both the combatants with perfect impartiality, striking and kicking them with his hoofs, while his teeth, as they slipped off the tough hides, met with a snap like that of a bear trap. Undoubtedly the jack would have killed at least one of the horses had not the men come up, and with no small difficulty separated the maddened brutes.-Theodore Roosevelt in The Century.

The Singer's Quavering Voice. Many singers, especially young singers, fall into the habit of using the "tremolo" or "vibrato." The former is, as the word implies, a trembling of the voice, and may be dismissed as simply vulgar and offensive. The "vibrato" stands on a different footing. It is impossible to pass a sweeping condemnation upon it, seeing that it is adopted by nearly the whole Italian school—that school to which we production of the voice. Where it does not arise from an unsteadiness due to straining the open tones in large theatres and music halls it would appear upon analysis to be an exaggeration of the ordinary vibration which is essential to

every well produced note. It enables the singer to obtain much greater power, a desideratum in opera-singing and in the large concert halls, and, if kept within bounds, is not open to objection. But some singers use it to such an exaggerated extent that it is sometimes difficult to tell on what note the singer intends to dwell. The voice is swayed backward and forward instead of resting on the note, and this exaggeration produces a most unpleasant sensation on a sensitive ear. There is one of our leading sopranos at the present day who will make a nervous person with a sensitive ear fidget on his chair from the irritation her singing causes; and yet her singing is always spoken of with enthusiasm by the entire press.-Longman's Magazine.

A Source of Pneumonia. Let a person, especially over 60 years of age, after a brisk walk enter a church "vestry" which perhaps has not been aired for nearly a week, the walls clammy with the frozen perspiration of the last crowded service, and then sit down where some chilling draft will play upon him the whole evening, there is great

danger of bad results. No man in five hundred has the skill to properly heat and ventilate a public hall or chur h. To ride in a cold, damp, poorly ven, tilated horse car is also a constant source of danger, especially to elderly people. Some writer affirms that every time people sit with their backs to a window they look into their own coffins. This

For a person who has been hurrying about the streets till in a perspiration to get into a winter horse car and ride three or four miles is to tempt pneumonia. Think of frail persons in this condition sitting down where the cold currents of air dance a reel of death up and down their spinal columns for nearly an hour. -Boston Journal.

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